

Brentwood Planning Board

Minutes – May 20, 2013

Site walk tax map Sig Sauer tax maps 202.070, 203.018, 090 & 026.

Members Present:	Bruce Stevens, Chairman	Kevin Johnston
	Bob Magnusson	Steve Hamilton
	Rob Wofchuck	Ken Christiansen, BOS rep

Members met at 5:30 by the Pro shop with Adam Painchaud, director of the Sig Arms Academy. Painchaud explained the shooting areas and indoor range, located on the Epping portion of the property. The purpose of this site walk is to determine what areas are being used in Brentwood that have not received Planning Board approval. The group went to the Brentwood portion of the property, first to the rifle area where he explained the types of shooting that take place here. While most of the shooting from the 100 yard, 300 yard and 1000 yard range begins in Epping, the area where the targets are is in Brentwood. There is night shooting in Brentwood.

The Area 51 target range has 9 bays for shooting, and is used daily. Painchaud said that 90 percent of the noise problem is from the research and development department, and that his CEO has committed to having that all moved to Newington by this August. He said this should take care of most of the noise concerns. Area 51 is closest to Brentwood, and next to Rte 101 and Painchaud said they would fund a fence to deter the noise, if the state would allow them to put it within the state ROW. He demonstrated the noise from his weapon, and the “ping” sound made by the bullets when it hits the targets: this is something that an abutter had complaints about at the hearing.

There is little outdoor shooting during the months of December through March, because of the weather. The group was given a tour of the Epping side of the shooting ranges, and also a tour of the Pro Shop.

The walk concluded at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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